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IN ORIGINAL APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that;

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe that I am the original, first and joint inventor of the invention entitled:

"TRANSPARENT, VEGETABLE-BASED, SUBSTANTIALLY HYDROCARBON-FREE CANDLE ARTICLE"

described and claimed in the attached specification;

That I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims;

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That the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application;

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That I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 and;

That no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns, except as follows:

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